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SPECIATED ISOTOPE DILUTION
MASS SPECTROMETRY OF
REACTIVE SPECIES AND
RELATED METHODS

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56, 1.97 and

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Applicant hereby requests the Examiner to review and make an independent evaluation of the art.

The cited art, preceded by an asterisk, is discussed in the following pages: page 2, line 24 through page 7, line 32; page 11, line 15 through page 14, line 20; page 22, line 19 through page 25, line 25; page 30, lines 16-30; page 32, line 26 through page 33, line 32; page 34, line 30; page 35, line 27; and page 38, lines 6-26 of the specification.

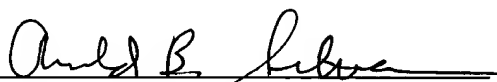
The Burrows reference, which has been designated number 34. on the ATTACHMENT TO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT, is the only reference which is not attached. For the Examiner's convenience of reference, copies of the title page, preface page, The Editor page and the Contributors and Table of Contents page are enclosed. Applicant's attorney will supplement this Information Disclosure Statement at a later date when such reference becomes available.

In addition to the cited art, Applicant and/or his attorneys may have been exposed to and/or considered other art relating to the general class of the subject invention, however, if in fact such exposure or consideration has occurred, to the best of their recollection and judgment none of such other art is prior art which is more relevant than the art cited hereinabove.

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Respectfully submitted,

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